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IMPLEMENTATION OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE RULES, 2000
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Union Government has any scheme to extend financial assistance to various states for implementation of the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the amount allocated during each of the last three years and current year, State wise;

(c) the name of the States which are attempting to develop zero waste / zero garbage towns along with those States which are not implementing Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000: and

(d) the details of the measures taken by the Union Government to develop Zero Waste Residential Colonies in various states, particularly in Karnataka for environmental friendly atmosphere?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) & (b) There is no specific scheme to extend financial assistance to various States for implementation of the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 (MSW Rules). The Ministry of Environment and Forests and other Central Ministries under the Government of India have undertaken implementation of centrally sponsored schemes, under which activities related to management of municipal solid waste have been supported, as given in the annexure.

(c) & (d) As per the Central Pollution Control Board, efforts have been undertaken by some local bodies in different States to develop `Zero Garbage` towns. The term `Zero Garbage` refers to encouraging citizens to undertake segregation of waste and utilizing bio-degradable waste for biological process like composting. As regards the implementation of the MSW Rules, the same is required to be undertaken by the concerned municipalities in the States including in the State of Karnataka. The Central Government has notified the MSW Rules vide S.O. 908 (E) dated25th September 2000 for effective management of the municipal solid waste, and State Governments / U.T. Administrations and their agencies have the overall responsibility for the enforcement of the provisions of these Rules. Local municipal authorities are responsible with respect to the collection, storage, segregation, transportation, processing and disposal of municipal solid wastes and for any infrastructure development for the management of the municipal solid waste under these Rules.

Annexure mentioned in part (a & b) of the reply to un-starred Q. No. 3014 to be answered on 20-12-2004 indicating activities supported by Central Ministries under Government of India related to management of municipal solid wastes.

1. Financial assistance has been provided by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India to the State Pollution Control Boards for strengthening of infrastructure for implementation of various Rules including the MSW Rules. An amount of Rs 126 Lakhs, Rs 91 Lakhs, Rs 126 Lakhs and Rs 73 Lakhs has been released for the purpose during 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05 respectively for thirty-three Pollution Control Boards/Committees. Further, this Ministry along with the Central Pollution Control Board have facilitated the setting up of demonstration projects on the management of Municipal Solid Wastes on 50% cost sharing basis. These have been initiated in North Dum Dum and New Barrackpore (West Bengal), Chandigarh (U.T), Kozhikode (Kerala), Udmalpet (Tamil Nadu). An amount Rs 283.9 Lakhs has been released for these projects so far.

2. Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme `Balanced and Integrated Use of Fertilizers`, the Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Government of India has provided financial assistance for the setting up of mechanical compost plants for conversion of bio-degradable city solid waste into compost. An amount of Rs. 789.72 Lakhs has been released to the State Governments for setting up of 30 compost plants during the 8th and 9th Plans. Under the recently approved `National Project on Organic Farming`, a provision also has been made for financial assistance for setting up of 35 numbers of fruits and vegetables waste compost production units.

3. For the recovery of energy from urban and industrial wastes the Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources, Government of India has provided financial support to the promoters in the form of interest/ capital subsidy through financial institutions for setting up of waste to energy projects. This assistance has been provided to Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Maharastra, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi and Jharkhand. An amount of Rs. 934.93 Lakhs, Rs. 999.76 Lakhs & Rs.180. 69 Lakhs has been sanctioned for the purpose during 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04 respectively.

4. A centrally sponsored scheme for providing solid waste management and drainage facilities in 10 selected towns having airfields of Indian Air force, has also been taken up for implementation by the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India